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SUBJ: CHINESE VIEWS ON ROB AND OTHER DISARMAMENT
QUESTIONS

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1. COUNSELLOR CHOU NAN OF PRC MISSION IN CORRIDOR
CONVERSATION OCT. 5 ASKED MISOFF WHETHER US HAD FIRM VIEWS
YET ON SOVIET REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS (ROB) ITEM.
MISOFF SAID QUESTION IS STILL UNDER STUDY BUT GAVE CHOU
SOME PRELIMINARY US THINKING AS SET FORTH IN REFTEL.
CHOU URGED CLOSE COLLABORATION TO BRING ABOUT DEFEAT OF
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ITEM. WITHOUT ANY SPECIFICS, HE PURPORTED TO BE CONFIDENT

SUBSTANTIAL NON-ALIGNED SKEPTICISM ABOUT THE SOVIET PROPOSAL WOULD DEVELOP. HE SAID HOWEVER HE WAS DISAPPOINTED AND SURPRISED AT LIBERIAN SUPPORT FOR ROB EXPRESSED IN GA SPEECH OCT. 2. IMPLICATION HIS REMARKS WAS THAT CHINESE BELIEVE SOLID WESTERN EUROPEAN AND US OPPOSITION TO ROB ESSENTIAL TO DEFEAT IT. THEY ALSO BELIEVE SOVIETS WILL PRESS FOR ADOPTION OF RES EVEN IF ONE OR MORE SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAKE THEIR INTENTION TO VOTE AGAINST IT CLEAR IN ADVANCE.

2. CHOU NAN ALSO TOOK OCCASION TO SAY THAT CHINA IS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO RE-ACTIVATING OF UN DISARMAMENT COMMISSION (UNDC) BUT IS STILL STUDYING THE IRANIAN PROPOSAL FOR A MODIFIED WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE (WDC) SPECIAL COMMITTEE. HE SEEMED TO BE SUGGESTING CHINA PREFERS TO WAIT TO SEE WHAT TACTICAL SITUATION DEVELOPS BEFORE COMMITTING ITSELF ON IRANIAN PROPOSAL.
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